

DUQUESNE STAMPEDE FAILS.

A DOZEN LABOR AGITATORS DISCHARGED SUMMARILY.

They Had Notified the Management That a Strike Was to Occur—It Was a Ruse, and the Members of the Committee Were Ejected From the Mills—Report That the Carnegie Men Had Gone Out Believed for Nearly Twelve Hours.

McKEESPORT, Pa., Aug. 31.—The crucial point is believed to have been passed in the situation at the Duquesne works of the Carnegie Steel Company. The attempt to organize the men to a strike at midnight last night proved a complete failure and about a dozen men lost their jobs for heading the movement. The plant was running in full to-day, in spite of contradictory statements on the part of the men who were discharged and the management says that there is no further danger of any disturbance.

Supt. E. E. Parks said this morning that there are few, if any, Amalgamated men in the mills and that no effort to organize them can be successful. The alleged strikers say that 150 men in the open hearth department are ready to join an organization, but the most remarkable part of this is that all the men remained at work this morning except the dozen who were discharged last night by Supt. Parks.

The trouble came shortly before midnight. A committee of twelve went to Supt. Parks and informed him that it would be unnecessary to charge the furnaces for the next turn as the men intended to quit at 12 o'clock this morning, the hour when the night crew comes off and the day crew goes on. Supt. Parks immediately telegraphed to the police and a few minutes later ordered the members of the committee to the office and discharged them. The discharged men were not permitted to speak to any other workmen about the mill, but each, escorted by a policeman, was taken out of the company grounds.

The discharged men gathered about the mill and secured a number of others who have been discharging the men. In a short time they had about 100 men gathered about the gates. Meanwhile they had telephoned to all the papers in McKeesport and Pittsburgh announcing that the Duquesne mills had gone out and advising that reporters be rushed to the scene. At the same time the news was spread diligently about the town, although it was after midnight and a stormy day. By the time the reporters reached the place there was a crowd of respectable proportions about the mill gate and the leaders in the movement were full to the brim with information about the "strike." They asserted that the entire open hearth steel department had walked out at midnight and there were enough men there declaring that they had been arrested in the walk-out to send out to the story.

The mill officials had all been called from their homes to the mills and refused to be seen or to answer any questions. Altogether it was one of the most cleverly planned and executed strikes in the history of the Duquesne mills. The Carnegie men, however, every fact seemed to credit the story that a strike had really taken place, and even the Pittsburgh morning papers, and the early editions of the evening papers came out with big headlines announcing the entering of the wedge into the Carnegie mill.

The strikers were jubilant over the prospects and the McKeesport men felt particularly so. They held a parade in the streets yesterday afternoon. They felt sure that the moral influence of this thin line of idlers working through the rain had resulted in a tie-up of the great mills. President George Holloway of the Wood mill strikers went to the Carnegie mills this morning and returned an hour or two later with his face wreathed in smiles.

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their men to ascertain who and how many of them are willing to return to work under the same conditions as when they quit. For the report the Carnegie men have a satisfactory, as very few of the men are desirous of continuing the strike any longer. The move on the part of the Carnegie men is believed to indicate that the mills will be opened soon for those desirous of returning to work to do so. Such action, it is believed, will result in the strike being completely broken in this city and would be the deathblow to the struggle all over the country.

The strikers are giving the strike leaders a great deal of anxiety. They are practically unanimous for going back to work and were opposed to the strike. The amount of latter feeling is growing up between the Amalgamated men and the Federation tube workers. The tube workers allege that the Amalgamated men are not doing as much as they should for the Federation. They are not doing as much as they should for the Federation. They are not doing as much as they should for the Federation.

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Speeches were made by William J. Pierson, President of the International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and Reinforcing Iron Workers, and by George Holloway, President of the Carnegie Steel Company. The Carnegie men, however, every fact seemed to credit the story that a strike had really taken place, and even the Pittsburgh morning papers, and the early editions of the evening papers came out with big headlines announcing the entering of the wedge into the Carnegie mill.

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Chief of Police Morrissey was behind the action to protect the mills, and the Mayor had a some with him. They were still at odds to-day, and the Mayor has a new somewhat to meet give up. The stand that the Chief takes is one of self-protection. He argues that the public, that a certain Mr. Morrissey, who is himself, is not going to let in permitted riot, no matter what his honor the Mayor chooses to do, and that when the Mayor wants to further open lawlessness, he will have to choose some instrument other than the McKeesport police force.

What Chief Morrissey says out loud is loud whenever he wants to. But as he says it, there is a hard look in the Chief's eye that is far more truthful than his words. He knows that Mayor Black does not dare to take of his head nor for fear of consequences from the strike, and what more, for fear of the powers that be politically and that must be reckoned with. The Chief knows that prison awaits the persons who will be found responsible for the riot. It occurs, and he is looking out for his own safety.

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